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Barrett Asks Milwaukeeans to Join Him in Honoring Former Mayor Frank Zeidler Mayor proclaims July 12 "Official Day of Mourning" throughout City

MILWAUKEE (July 11, 2006) – Mayor Tom Barrett has proclaimed Wednesday, July 12, 2006 an Official Day of Mourning for former Mayor Frank Zeidler. Zeidler, who will be laid to rest Wednesday, served as Milwaukee's mayor from 1948 to 1960. After leaving office, Zeidler continued to remain active in issues relevant to city governance and public welfare. Zeidler passed away on Friday, July 7 at the age of 93.

"Frank Zeidler was an inspiration to me and a pivotal figure in our city," said Barrett. "Mayor Zeidler was a tireless advocate for social justice and never relented in his struggle to give voice to those who had none. I ask residents to join me in honoring Mayor Zeidler, a man who lifted everyone around him with his compassion and integrity."

Zeidler will be memorialized during services at Lutheran Redeemer Church at 19th and West Wisconsin Avenues at 11:00 am on Wednesday, July 12. Media will be allowed to cover the service and an area will be reserved for that purpose. However, the family has requested that burial services remain private.